

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

GEROLD CENTENO,

Plaintiff

v.

STEVEN GRIERSON, et al.,

Defendants

Case No. 2:23-cv-02131-JAD-DJA

ORDER**I. DISCUSSION**

On January 11, 2024, the Court ordered Plaintiff to either pay the \$405 filing fee or file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by March 15, 2024. (ECF No. 5). Plaintiff subsequently filed a first amended complaint, which included a financial certificate and a prison trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period as an exhibit. (ECF No. 6 at 1-8). Because of the financial documents, the Clerk's Office filed the document as an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, with an attached complaint. (ECF Nos. 6, 6-1). However, Plaintiff subsequently filed a notice stating that the documents were only intended to be an exhibit to the complaint, they were not intended to be an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and that he had not yet filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (ECF No. 7).

Rather than filing an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, Plaintiff filed three identical motions requesting a 45-day extension of time. (ECF Nos. 9, 10, 11). In his motions, Plaintiff states that he requested financial documents from the Nevada Department of Corrections in January 2024, but has not yet received them. (*Id.*) However, Plaintiff attached the necessary financial documents to his first amended complaint, and the Court notes that those documents are from January 2024. It is not clear why Plaintiff has not filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with these documents. Nonetheless, the Court will give Plaintiff an extension until April 15, 2024, to file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

